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**MEMBER OF FAST FOOD RESTAURANT AND GROCERY STORE
ARMED ROBBERY CREW SENTENCED TO 205 MONTHS IN PRISON**

NEWARK, N.J. – Adonijah Lindsay, a member of an armed robbery crew which targeted fast food restaurants and local groceries in northern New Jersey, was sentenced today to 205 months in prison, United States Attorney Paul J. Fishman announced.

Lindsay, 25, of Paterson, N.J., previously pleaded guilty before then U.S. District Judge Joseph A. Greenaway on February 2, 2010, to two counts of an Indictment against him: one count of robbing the Dunkin' Donuts in Elmwood Park, and one count of brandishing a firearm in furtherance of the robbery. U.S. District Judge Susan D. Wigenton imposed the sentence today in Newark federal court.

According to documents filed in this case and statements made in court:

Adonijah Lindsay, his brother Anthony Lindsay, 27, and others participated in a string of six robberies throughout northern New Jersey in January 2006. In addition to the Dunkin' Donuts robbery, the Lindsay brothers robbed at gunpoint a local grocery store in Jersey City, a deli in North Bergen, a Domino's Pizza in Hoboken, a Popeye's Chicken in Lodi and a Burger King in Little Falls. During the Domino's Pizza and the Burger King robberies, the employees and customers were forced at gunpoint into the restrooms by the Lindsay brothers.

In addition to the prison term, Judge Wigenton sentenced Adonijah Lindsay to five years of supervised release and ordered him to pay \$4,391 in restitution, to be distributed as appropriate to the fast food restaurants and stores.

Anthony Lindsay pleaded guilty to the same charges on February 2, 2010, and will be sentenced by Judge Wigenton on a date to be determined.

U.S. Attorney Fishman credited special agents of the FBI, under the direction of Special Agent In Charge Michael B. Ward in Newark, and the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office, under the direction of Prosecutor John L. Molinelli, for the investigation leading to today's sentence. He also thanked the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office and police departments in Paterson, Little Falls, Jersey City, Dover, Hoboken, Elmwood Park, and Lodi, for their important work in this case.

The government is represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rodney Villazor of the U.S. Attorney's Office Criminal Division in Newark.

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